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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BISHOP of Utah).

## DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, November 17, 2004. I hereby appoint the Honorable Rob Bishop to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. Dennis Hastert,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

Dr. Bob M. Patterson, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Warm Springs, Georgia, offered the following prayer:

Father, we open this session with prayer not because of tradition or misplaced need to convince You to be on our side. But in this place, sacred to our republic, we admit that we are lost and clueless without Your presence and guidance.

Our first thoughts today are with those in harm's way around Your world in defense of freedom. We pray for victory that will be complete and permanent. For families who find themselves separated, we ask for strong bonds in spite of missed birthdays, anniversaries and holidays. And for those who have received a flag folded three-cornered, we pray Your presence will be an unseen source of comfort and hope.

As the people's business is conducted in this hallowed Chamber, we ask for our representatives to not doubt their beliefs or believe their doubts. We pray for them the courage born of godly convictions and tempered by humility. We ask that You give them a clear idea of what is just and best for our republic coupled with the resolve to do the right thing.

We pray this in the name of the one who promised to be present and to guide us, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

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ROBERT W. NEY, Chairman.

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